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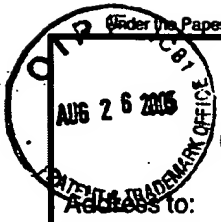
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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

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Application Number	09/661,447
Filing Date	09/13/2000
First Named Inventor	Helen B. McIntosh
Group Art Unit	3714
Examiner Name	Suhol, Dimitry
Attorney Docket Number	79221-001

This is a Request For continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior June 8, 1995 or to any Design application. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

1. **(Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114)** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instruct otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendments(s).

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if the box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). Check in the amount of \$ 790.00 is enclosed.
- i. ☒ Extension of time fee \$ 1,020.00 (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.138 and 1.17)
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 08-3460.
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

Name (Print/Type)	Gregory E. Upchurch	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	28,482
Signature	<i>Gregory E. Upchurch</i>	Date	August 26, 2005

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)  
FY 2005**

(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)

Docket Number (Optional)  
79221-001Application Number  
09/661,447Filed  
09/13/2000For  
Method for Enabling Conflict ResolutionGroup Art Unit  
3714Examiner  
Suhol, Dimitry

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows  
(check time period desired):

	Fee	Small Entity Fee	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$ <u>120.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$ <u>450.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	\$ <u>1,020.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795	\$ <u>1,590.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$ <u>2,160.00</u>

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

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☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 08-3460.  
I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.I am the ☐ applicant/inventor☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 28,482.☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

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Date

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Telephone Number

  
SignatureGregory E. Upchurch, 28,482

Typed or Printed Name

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

☒ Total of 1 forms are submitted.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.136(a). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is a title (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 AND 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 6 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Office, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450-20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Director for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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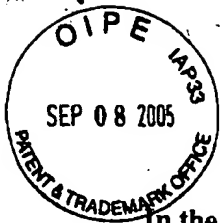
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Helen B. McIntosh

) Art Unit: 3714

Application No.: 09/661,447

) Examiner: Suhol, Dimitry

Filing Date: 09/13/00

Entitled: Method for Enabling Conflict Resolution

) Attorney Docket No.: 79221-001

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REQUEST FOR REFUND

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a refund of the RCE and Extension of Time filing fees in the amount of \$905.00. Applicant qualifies for small entity status under 37 CFR § 1.27(a) as a small business concern as shown on the enclosed copy of the Utility Patent Application Transmittal filed on 09/13/2000.

Respectfully submitted:

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<b>UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b> <small>Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(a)</small>	
Attorney Docket No.	T2739-906589
First Inventor or Application Identifier	MCINTOSH
Title	METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ENABLING CONFLICT I
Express Mail Label No.	

<b>APPLICATION ELEMENTS</b> <small>See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.</small>		<b>ADDRESS TO:</b> Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Application Washington, DC 20231	
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) <small>(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)</small>	5. <input type="checkbox"/> Microfilm Computer Program (Appendix)	<b>ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS</b> 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 8. <input type="checkbox"/> 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement of Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee) 9. <input type="checkbox"/> English Translation Document (if applicable) 10. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 11. <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) <small>(Should be specifically itemized)</small> * Small Entity Status still proper and desired (PTO/SB-00-12) 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) 14. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: 15. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification [Total Pages: 20] <small>(preferred arrangement set forth below)</small> - Descriptive title of the invention - Cross References to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D - Reference to Microfilm Appendix - Background of the invention - Brief Summary of the invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure	6. <input type="checkbox"/> Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary) a. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Readable Copy b. <input type="checkbox"/> Paper Copy (identical to computer copy) c. <input type="checkbox"/> Statement verifying identity of above copies		
3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets: 2]			
4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oath or Declaration [Total Pages: 1] a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newly executed (original or copy) b. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)) <small>(for continuation/divisional with Box 16 completed)</small> c. <input type="checkbox"/> DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).			
<b>PROFESSIONALITY STATEMENT:</b> IN ORDER TO BE ENTITLED TO PAY SMALL ENTITY FEES, A SMALL ENTITY STATEMENT IS REQUIRED BY 37 C.F.R. § 1.63, EXCEPT IF ONE FILED IN A PRIORITY APPLICATION IS REFERRED UPON BY 37 C.F.R. § 1.107.			

16. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment:  
☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Prior application information: Examiner \_\_\_\_\_ Group / Art Unit: \_\_\_\_\_  
 For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4a, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

17. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

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See 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.27 and 1.28.

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Complete if Known

Application Number	
Filing Date	
First Named Inventor	McInosh
Examiner Name	
Group / Art Unit	
Attorney Docket No.	T2739-906589

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101 650 201 345 Utility filing fee

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107 480 257 240 Plant filing fee

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## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims

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103 18 200 9 Claims in excess of 20

102 78 202 38 Independent claims in excess of 3

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127 50 227 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet

128 130 130 130 Non-English specification

147 2,520 147 2,520 For filing a request for reexamination

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113 1,840\* 113 1,840\* Requesting publication of SPR after Examiner action

115 110 215 55 Extension for reply within first month

116 300 216 130 Extension for reply within second month

117 470 217 435 Extension for reply within third month

118 1,200 218 650 Extension for reply within fourth month

129 1,850 229 925 Extension for reply within fifth month

110 300 210 150 Motion of Appeal

120 300 220 150 Filing a brief in support of an appeal

121 250 221 130 Request for oral hearing

138 1,510 138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding

140 110 240 55 Petition to revive - unavailability

141 1,210 241 605 Petition to revive - unintentional

142 1,210 242 605 Utility issue fee (or release)

143 130 243 215 Design issue fee

144 590 244 290 Plant issue fee

122 130 122 130 Petitions to the Commissioner

123 50 123 50 Petitions related to provisional applications

126 240 126 240 Submission of Information Disclosure Sheet

501 43 501 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (lines number of properties)

146 690 246 345 Filing a substitution after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(d))

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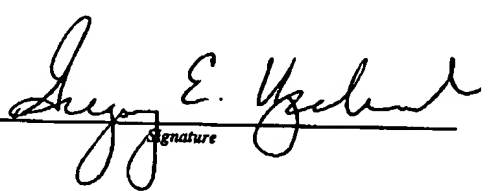
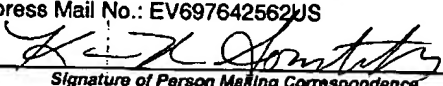
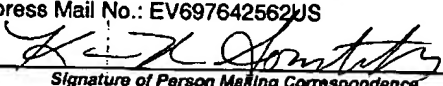
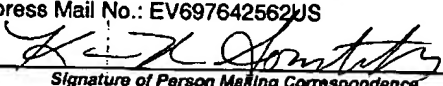
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Title: Method for Enabling Conflict Resolution							
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS</u></p> <p>Transmitted herewith is: Request for Refund Copy of Utility Patent Application Transmittal Return Receipt Postcard</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Dated: September 8, 2005</p> <p>Signature: </p> <p>Gregory E. Upchurch, 28,482 Husch &amp; Eppenger, LLC 190 Carondelet Plaza St. Louis, MO 63105 314-480-1500 314-480-1505 FAX</p> <p>Customer No. 029493</p>							
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